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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

## Supreme Court Cause No. DA 10-0029

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NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION

Appellant/Cross Appellee,

AFFIDAVIT OF TERRY N. TRIEWEILER

VS.

PEGGY STEVENS

Appellee/Cross Appellant.

STATE OF MONTANA )

: SS.

County of Flathead

Terry N. Trieweiler, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and states:

1. Supreme Court Cause No. DA-10-0029 involves both an appeal and a

cross appeal. The appellant's appeal includes four major issues with numerous sub-

issues including discretionary procedural decisions made by the district court. Its brief

in support of that appeal, which does not include an adequate description of the factual

and procedural history of the case, is nearly 10,000 words. This is a complex case and

it will take a similar number to adequately respond.

2. Peggy Stevens, the Appellee and cross appellant has nine separate issues

to argue on appeal, including the district court's refusal to allow amendment of her

claim to allege punitive damages which was, separately, the subject of a petition for

supervisory control to this court.

3. Because it will be necessary to include additional facts, additional

procedural history, respond thoroughly to the appellant's arguments and combine her

own arguments in support of her cross appeal in one brief, it is not possible for Peggy

Stevens to effectively limit her brief to the 10,000 word limit allowed for a typical

respondent's brief in Rule 11(4)(a) M.R.App.P.

4) Counsel for Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation has been consulted

pursuant to Rule 16 and does object to this motion.

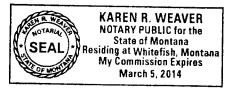
DATED this 13th day of May, 2010.

By:

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Attorney for Appellee/Cross Appellant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of May, 2010.



Karen R. Weaver
Notary Public for the State of Montana
Residing at Whitefish, Montana
My Commission Expires March 5, 2014

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May, 2010, a true and exact copy of the foregoing document was sent by U.S. mail, first class, postage pre-paid, addressed to:

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